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A.—(a) A statement is annexed.[a]

(b) Except Hospet all the villages referred to in clause (a) had formerly an assistant karnam and a head karnam.

(c) The post of assistant karnam was abolished in 1922 as it was not necessary. An assistant karnam on Rs. 14 was sanctioned in 1928 for Siruguppa village.

The pay of both the assistant karnam and head karnam at the time of the abolition of the post of assistant karnam was Rs. 15 per mensem.

The pay of the karnams now in charge of Kamalapuram, Kuditini and Hospet is Rs. 14 per mensem each; the pay of the karnams of the other villages referred to in clause (a) is Rs. 15 each.

(d) The pay of the karnams of all other ryotwari villages is Rs. 14 per mensem each.

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—"In view of the fact that one man is doing the work of two men, may I ask whether the Government will compensate such persons for their extra work, by increase of pay?"

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—"The pay has no doubt been fixed according to the usual principles."

Diwan Bahadur M. Gopalaswami Mudaliyar :—"May I know whether a uniform pay of Rs. 15 will be fixed for all the karnams and assistant karnams?"

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—"May I enquire the principle on which the pay of Rs. 15 was fixed in one case and the pay of Rs. 14 in some other cases?"

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—"I must ask for notice."

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—"May I ask the hon. the Revenue Member why these rates were not fixed on a uniform scale? I find in some places higher pay is given."

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—"These rates were fixed on certain principles."

Diwan Bahadur M. Gopalaswami Mudaliyar :—"May I know whether the Government will consider the question of fixing a uniform rate?"

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—"It is not desirable to fix a uniform pay for all karnams; the rates are fixed in each case in accordance with certain general principles."

Civil Justice

Disposal of pending suits in the Additional Subordinate Judge's Court in South Kanara.

* 160 Q.—Mr U. C. Subrahmanya Bhatt : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that the continuance of the Additional Subordinate Judge's Court in South Kanara beyond December 1930 is unnecessary;

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(b) whether the Bar Association of Mangalore has passed a resolution stating that the continuance of the Additional Sub-Court beyond December 1930 is unnecessary and communicated the same to Government;

(c) what is the pendency of original suits and appeals in the District Court and Subordinate Judges' Courts of South Kanara; and

(d) what action the Government have taken or propose to take in the matter?

A.—(a) The hon. Member has sent a communication to Government to that effect.

(b) Yes.

(c) Pendency as on 11th December 1930—

	District Court.	Principal Sub-Judge.	Additional Sub-Judge.
Appeals	190	83	71
Original suits	8	45	49

(d) The Government have directed the abolition of the appointment of Additional Sub-Judge, South Kanara, with effect from the 16th February 1931.

Transfer applications filed in the District Court of South Kanara.

*161 Q.—Mr. U. C. Subrahmanya Bhatt: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the present Additional Subordinate Judge of South Kanara was a practising lawyer at Mangalore with wide practice before he was appointed to the Judicial service,

(b) whether it is a fact that a number of transfer applications were filed in the District Court of South Kanara within the last four months to transfer suits pending before the said Additional Subordinate Judge, and if so, how many such transfer applications were filed;

(c) whether it is a fact that one of the grounds common to all the said transfer applications is that the said Additional Sub-Judge was a vakil for one of the parties to the suits sought to be transferred when he was practising as a lawyer in Mangalore; and

(d) what action the Government propose to take in the matter?

A.—(a), (b) & (c) Information has been called for from the High Court.

(d) Does not arise.

Khan Bahadur Mahmud Schamnad Sahib Bahadur:—"May I ask when the Government expect to get the information?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. Krishnan Nayar:—"I am sorry that I cannot answer that question; it depends on the High Court."

Khan Bahadur Mahmud Schamnad Sahib Bahadur:—"May I know whether the Government will place that information on the table of the House?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. Krishnan Nayar:—"I will consider my hon. Friend's suggestion."